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Sir:

Submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449 is a listing of documents known to Applicant and/or his attorneys pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3). Gopies of the documents listed on Form PTO-1449 are enclosed.

Applicant herein further provides a reference to co-pending applications pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(1):

| Application No. | Date Filed    | <u>Inventors</u> | Attorney Docket No. |
|-----------------|---------------|------------------|---------------------|
| 1. 09/460,078   | Dec. 14, 1999 | Hafner et al.    | 13172.0017U2        |
| 2. 09/841,513   | Apr. 24, 2001 | Lizardi          | 13172.0013U4        |
| 3. 09/897,259   | Jul. 2, 2001  | Ward et al.      | 13172.0005U2        |
| 4. 10/038,718   | Jan. 2, 2002  | Lizardi          | 25006.0001U5        |

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A copy of each of the above co-pending applications is enclosed pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2)(iii).

This Information Disclosure Statement is believed to be filed in a timely manner pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), in that a first Office Action on the merits of the present patent application has not yet been mailed to the Applicants. Consideration of the cited documents and making the same of record in the prosecution of the above-noted application are respectfully requested.

No fee is believed due; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-0629.

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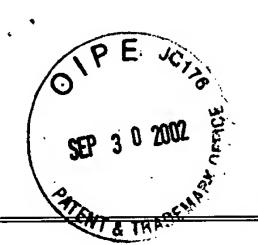
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**GROUP: 1645** FILING DATE: November 9, 2001 **U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS SUBCLASS FILING DATE CLASS DOCUMENT** NAME **DATE EXAMINER** INITIALS NO. **APPROPRIATE** 5,854,033 Dec. 29, 1998 Lizardi **B**1 Lizardi et al. Nov. 7, 2000 6,143,495 **B2** Feb. 6, 2001 6,183,960 Lizardi **B3** Apr. 3, 2001 Lizardi 6,210,884 **B**4 Lizardi et al. Dec. 11, 2001 6,329,150 **B**5 Feb. 5, 2002 6,344,329 Lizardi **B**6 FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS OTHER PRIOR ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.) DATE CONSIDERED: **EXAMINER:** EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in

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